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PTPTN wipes out national hero's loan debt

KANGAR: The National Higher Education Fund Corporation (PTPTN) has wiped out the study-loan debt of national hero, ASP Zulkifli Mamat, who was killed while defending the country's sovereignty in Lahad Datu, Sabah last month.

PTPTN Senior General Manager, Tuan Din Tuan Mat, said the PTPTN loan was covered by takaful policy and, with the death of the debtor, the

next-of-kin need not to continue making the loan repayment.

He said this when met at the presentation ceremony of PTPTN's death benefit of RM1,500 to Zulkifli's widow, Nor Aziah Noor, 28, at Taman Ira Jaya here yesterday.

Tuan Din said Zulkifli took out the loan of RM16,250 when he pursued his degree in communication at Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM), Kedah.

Meanwhile, Nor Aziah expressed gratitude to PTPTN for wiping out the loan and presenting her with the death benefit.

Last year alone, PTPTN had presented death benefits totalling RM877,000 to 754 debtors' next-of-kin, while between January and 31 March this year, RM124,500 had been disbursed to 92 debtors' next-of kin. - Bernama